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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jens Hamann et al.

Serial No.: 09/929,395

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Title: Surface-Pressure Generating Device
in an Injection-Molding Machine

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Group Art Unit: 1722

Examiner: J. Mackey

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action, mailed September 29, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of the remarks below.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply was due December 29, 2003, Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time, with the appropriate fee, to extend the period of reply to January 29, 2004. This Response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114.